

# ALAMEDA COUNTY CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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#### Memorandum

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DATE:

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TO:

Administration and Legislation Committee

FROM:

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**SUBJECT:** 

I-580 Tri-Valley Rapid Transit Corridor Improvements (RM 2 Project 32.1):

Subproject 32.1f: EB I-580 HOT Lane: Request to Amend Project Agreements and

Contracts

## **Action Requested**

It is recommended that the Board authorize the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and execute an amendment to the existing contract with URS Corporation to increase the amount of their contract by \$750,000. The amendment will provide funding for the preparation of the traffic and revenue model for dual HOT lanes and the additional technical studies required by the environmental document process to clear a dual lane HOT project.

### Discussion

The CMA, as the sponsor of the Tri-Valley Rapid Transit Corridor Improvements – EB I-580 HOT lane from Hacienda Blvd to Greenville Road and the implementing agency of the project development phase, has contracted with URS Corporation to provide the project development services for this project. The CMA's existing contract with URS Corporation is for an amount not to exceed \$916,601 and provides for clearing the environmental document for one HOT lane, project design and the preparation of the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the System Integration contract.

The traffic forecast and the traffic operations report show that the single HOV/HOT lane will reach capacity in year 2015. To meet the forecasted carpool demand, adding another HOV/HOT lane from Santa Rita Road to Vasco Road is needed. The CMA has requested URS to investigate the possibility of adding another HOV/HOT lane within the existing pavement and right-of-way. The results of these investigations were presented to Caltrans, which was receptive to the idea.

In order to provide these additional services, staff is recommending an amendment to the URS Corporation contract by an amount not to exceed \$750,000. Funding will be provided from the I-580 Corridor Improvements funds.

# **Financial Impact**

Funding for this request will be provided from I-580 Corridor Improvements funds. The funding plan for this project will be updated and the CMA budget will be amended accordingly.